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- Case No. 8705: On a motion of the Commission to consider the proper spacing for the development of the North Souris-Spearfish Pool, Bottineau County, North Dakota, redefine the limits of the field, and enact such special field rules as may be necessary. North Souris Field LLC.
- Case No. 8706: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Zinke & Trumbo, Inc. for an order amending the field rules for the Glass Bluff-Madison Pool so as to create a 480-acre spacing unit comprised of the S/2 and NW/4 of Section 9, T.151N., R.103W., McKenzie County, North Dakota, authorizing the drilling of one horizontal well within said spacing unit not less than 500 feet to the boundary of said spacing unit and providing such further and additional relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8707: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Zinke & Trumbo, Inc. for an order amending the field rules for the Glass Bluff-Madison Pool so as to create a 480-acre spacing unit comprised of the S/2 and NE/4 of Section 10, T.151N., R.103W., McKenzie County, North Dakota, authorizing the drilling of one horizontal well within said spacing unit not less than 500 feet to the boundary of said spacing unit and providing such further and additional relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8708: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Zinke & Trumbo, Inc. for an order creating a 640-acre drilling unit comprised of Section 29, T.154N., R.102W., Williams County, North Dakota, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within said drilling unit at a location not less than 500 feet from the boundary of said proposed drilling unit as an exception to the provisions of Section 43-02-03-18 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, and such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8709: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Zinke & Trumbo, Inc. for an order creating a 640-acre drilling unit comprised of Section 28, T.154N., R.102W., Williams County, North Dakota, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within said drilling unit at a location not less than 500 feet from the boundary of said proposed drilling unit as an exception to the provisions of Section 43-02-03-18 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, and such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.

- Case No. 8710: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Zinke & Trumbo, Inc. for an order creating a 640-acre drilling unit comprised of Section 33, T.154N., R.102W., Williams County, North Dakota, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within said drilling unit at a location not less than 500 feet from the boundary of said proposed drilling unit as an exception to the provisions of Section 43-02-03-18 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, and such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8711: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Zinke & Trumbo, Inc. for an order creating a 640-acre drilling unit comprised of Section 4, T.153N., R.102W., Williams County, North Dakota, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within said drilling unit at a location not less than 500 feet from the boundary of said proposed drilling unit as an exception to the provisions of Section 43-02-03-18 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, and such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8712: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Headington Oil, Limited Partnership for an order amending the field rules for the MonDak-Bakken Pool so as to create a 1280-acre spacing unit comprised of Sections 15 and 16, T.147N., R.104W., McKenzie County, North Dakota, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within said spacing unit not less than 500 feet to the boundary of the spacing unit and providing such further and additional relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8713: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Headington Oil, Limited Partnership for an order amending the field rules for the MonDak-Bakken Pool so as to create a 1280-acre spacing unit comprised of Sections 4 and 9, T.147N., R.104W., McKenzie County, North Dakota, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within said spacing unit not less than 500 feet to the boundary of the spacing unit and providing such further and additional relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8714: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Headington Oil, Limited Partnership for an order amending the field rules for the MonDak-Bakken Pool so as to create a 1280-acre spacing unit comprised of Sections 27 and 34, T.148N., R.104W., McKenzie County, North Dakota, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within said spacing unit not less than 500 feet to the boundary of the spacing unit and providing such further and additional relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8715: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Prima Exploration, Inc. for an order pursuant to North Dakota Administrative Code Section 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Woburn-Madison Pool described as all of Section 18, T.162N., R.90W., Burke County, North Dakota; authorizing the recovery from each nonparticipating owner a risk penalty as provided by North Dakota Century Code Section 38-08-08 and such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.

- Case No. 8716: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Prima Exploration, Inc. for an order pursuant to North Dakota Administrative Code Section 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Carter-Midale/Nesson Pool described as the S/2 of Section 16 and the N/2 of Section 21, T.162N., R.90W., Burke County, North Dakota; authorizing the recovery from each nonparticipating owner a risk penalty as provided by North Dakota Century Code Section 38-08-08 and such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8717: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Prima Exploration, Inc. for an order pursuant to North Dakota Administrative Code Section 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Customs-Midale/Nesson Pool described as all of Section 23, T.163N., R.90W., Burke County, North Dakota; authorizing the recovery from each nonparticipating owner a risk penalty as provided by North Dakota Century Code Section 38-08-08 and such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8698: (Continued) On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Prima Exploration, Inc., for an order extending the field boundaries and amending the field rules for the Carter-Midale/Nesson Pool so as to create a 640-acre spacing unit comprised of the W/2 of Section 31, T.163N., R.89W., and the E/2 of Section 36, T.163N., R.90W., Burke County, North Dakota; authorizing the drilling of one horizontal well within said spacing unit not less than 500 feet to the boundary of the spacing unit and providing such further and additional relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8699: (Continued) On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Prima Exploration, Inc., for an order pursuant to North Dakota Administrative Code Section 43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Carter-Midale/Nesson Pool, described as the W/2 of Section 31, T.163N., R.89W., and the E/2 of Section 36, T.163N., R.90W., Burke County, North Dakota; authorizing the recovery from each nonparticipating owner a risk penalty as provided by North Dakota Century Code Section 38-08-08 and such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8617: (Continued) On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Orion Energy Partners L.P. for an order creating a 640-acre drilling unit comprised of all of Section 28, T.155N., R.94W., Mountrail County, North Dakota, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well therein at a location not less than 660 feet from the boundary of the proposed drilling unit as an exception to the provisions of Section 43-02-03-18 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, and such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8618: (Continued) On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Continental Resources, Inc. for an order approving certain amendments to the unit operating agreement for the Medicine Pole Hills West-Red River Unit, Bowman County, North Dakota; so as to authorize the recovery of a risk penalty as provided by North Dakota Century Code Section 38-08-09.4 and for such further and additional relief as the Commission deems appropriate.

- Case No. 8718: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Ansbros Petroleum Company, LLC for an order amending the field rules for the Vanville-Madison Pool so as to allow the flaring of gas and unrestricted production of oil from the Vanville State #41-16H well, located in the NE/4 NE/4 of Section 16, T.159N., R.90W., Burke County, North Dakota, and providing such further and additional relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8719: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Denali Oil & Gas Management, LLC, for an order extending the field outline of the Lignite Field and including the E/2 of Section 11 and the E/2 of Section 14, T.162N., R.91W., Burke County, North Dakota in Zone III of the Lignite-Madison Pool, or alternatively creating a 640-acre drilling unit consisting of said lands and allowing a horizontal well to be drilled in the Madison Formation at any location thereon not closer than 500 feet to the boundary of said spacing or drilling unit, or for such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8720: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Denali Oil & Gas Management, LLC, for an order pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Lignite-Madison Pool described as the E/2 of Section 11 and the E/2 of Section 14, T.162N., R.91W., Burke County, North Dakota, and authorizing the imposition of a non-consent penalty against the interests of any owners who elect not to participate in the risk and cost of drilling and completing a well on said spacing unit, or for such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8721: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Ryan Exploration, Inc. for an order establishing a 1280-acre drilling unit consisting of all of Section 1, T.150N., R.90W., McLean County, North Dakota, and all of Section 36, T.151N., R.90W., Mountrail County, North Dakota, and allowing a horizontal well to be drilled to the Madison Formation at any location within said drilling unit not closer than 500 feet to the boundaries of said drilling unit, or for such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8722: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of JMG Exploration, Inc. for an order establishing temporary spacing for the development of an oil and/or gas pool discovered by the Rindel 3-9HD well, with a surface location in the NE/4 NW/4 of Section 9, T.162N., R.96W., Divide County, North Dakota, defining the limits of the field, and enacting such special field rules as may be necessary.
- Case No. 8704: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company LP for an order amending Order No. 10074 and establishing all of Section 8 and the W/2 of Section 9, T.130N., R.105W., Bowman County, North Dakota, as a 960-acre spacing unit for the Rattlesnake Buttes-Red River Pool and allowing a horizontal well with multiple laterals to be drilled at any location on such spacing unit not closer than 660 feet to the boundary of the spacing unit, or for such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.

- Case No. 8723: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Luff Exploration Company for an order pursuant to North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) Section 43-02-03-88.1 authorizing the conversion to enhanced recovery into the Grand River-Red River "B" Unit, of the Hansen #C-7 well, located in the NE/4 NW/4 of Section 7, T.129N., R.101W., Grand River Field, Bowman County, North Dakota, pursuant to NDAC Chapter 43-02-05 and providing such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8663: (Continued) On a motion of the Commission to consider the proper spacing for the development of the Capa-Duperow Pool, Williams County, North Dakota, redefine the limits of the field, and enact such special field rules as may be necessary. Amerada Hess Corporation
- Case No. 8724: On a motion of the Commission to consider the temporary spacing for the development of an oil and/or gas pool discovered by the Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation #22-15H MOI well, located in the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 15, T.143N., R.102W., Billings County, North Dakota, define the limits of the field, and enact such special field rules as may be necessary.
- Case No. 8725: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Whiting Oil & Gas Corp. for an order establishing a 1280-acre drilling unit consisting of all of Sections 1 and 11, T.143N., R.103W., Golden Valley County, North Dakota, and allowing a horizontal well with one or more laterals to be drilled in the Birdbear Pool at any location not closer than 500 feet to the boundaries of such drilling unit, or for such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8651: (Continued) On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Whiting Petroleum Corporation for an order amending the spacing orders for the Morgan Draw-Birdbear Pool so as to establish a zone of 1280-acre spacing for purposes of drilling horizontal wells and allowing a horizontal well to be located at any location not closer than 500 feet to the boundary of said spacing unit within said zone; including Sections 7, T.143N., R.102W., Billings County, North Dakota, and 13, T.143N., R.103W., Golden Valley County, North Dakota, and Sections 12 and 14, T.143N., R.103W., Golden Valley County, as 1280-acre spacing units within said zone of spacing; and for such other and further relief the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8654: (Continued) On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Whiting Petroleum Corporation for an order amending the field outlines for the Morgan Draw and Beaver Creek Fields so as to include the N/2 of Section 23, T.143N., R.103W., Golden Valley County, North Dakota, within the Beaver Creek Field; including all of Sections 15 and 21, T.143N., R.103W., Golden Valley County, North Dakota, and all of Sections 23 and 27, T.143N., R.103W., Golden Valley County, North Dakota, as 1280-acre spacing units within Zone IV of the Beaver Creek-Birdbear Pool; and granting such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.

- Case No. 8655: (Continued) On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Whiting Petroleum Corporation for an order pooling all interests in a spacing unit for the Beaver Creek-Birdbear Pool described as all of Sections 15 and 21, T.143N., R.103W., Golden Valley County, North Dakota, and authorizing the recovery of a risk penalty in accordance with North Dakota law from all lessees or unleased mineral owners who elect not to participate in the risks and costs of drilling a well thereon, and for such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8684: (Continued) On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Westport Oil and Gas Company, L.P. for an order amending the field rules for the Beaver Creek-Birdbear Pool so as to create a 640-acre spacing unit comprised of Section 15, T.143N., R.103W., Golden Valley County, North Dakota, authorizing the drilling of one horizontal well within said spacing unit not less than 660 feet to the boundary of each spacing unit and providing such further and additional relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8686: (Continued) On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Westport Oil and Gas Company, L.P. for an order creating a 640-acre drilling unit comprised of Section 3, T.143N., R.103W., Golden Valley County, North Dakota, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within said drilling unit at a location not less than 500 feet from the boundary of the proposed drilling unit as an exception to the provisions of Section 43-02-03-18 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, and such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8687: (Continued) On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Westport Oil and Gas Company, L.P. for an order creating a 640-acre drilling unit comprised of Section 11, T.143N., R.103W., Golden Valley County, North Dakota, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within said drilling unit at a location not less than 500 feet from the boundary of the proposed drilling unit as an exception to the provisions of Section 43-02-03-18 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, and such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8688: (Continued) On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Westport Oil and Gas Company, L.P. for an order creating a 640-acre drilling unit comprised of Section 13, T.143N., R.103W., Golden Valley County, North Dakota, authorizing the drilling of a horizontal well within said drilling unit at a location not less than 500 feet from the boundary of the proposed drilling unit as an exception to the provisions of Section 43-02-03-18 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, and such other and further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.
- Case No. 8726: On a motion of the Commission to consider the application of Nance Petroleum Corporation for an order pursuant to Section 43-02-03-88.1 of the North Dakota Administrative Code allowing oil and gas produced from the Yellowstone-Ordovician and Yellowstone-Duperow Pools to be commingled in the well bore of the Federal 1-25 well, located in the SW/4 SW/4 of Section 25, T.150N., R.104W., McKenzie County, North Dakota, and for such further relief as the Commission deems appropriate.